Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) There has been no definite occasion for any regulation.

(b) If there is occasion Government may advise private business to form associations among themselves for stopping such competition.

(c) As far as possible private business is being left without outside interference.

(d) The answer is in the negative.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(a) When will a definite occasion arise in the anticipation of the good member?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—So far no case of cut-throat competition has been brought to my notice. When a case is brought I will certainly enquire.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Thank you. (b, c and d). Am I to understand that regulating private business on the part of the Government will serve no public good?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—At the present moment it is no use on venturing upon legislation.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will you consider it again?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Certainly.

Resolutions—Methala Panchayat.

253. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total number and nature of resolutions forwarded by the Methala Panchayat ever since it was newly constituted, with dates;

(b) which of (a) have been accepted and which disallowed by the Government, with dates;

(c) which of the accepted of (b) have been already worked out, with dates;

(d) whether the Methala Panchayat represents the type of treatment the Panchayats of the State are receiving at the hands of Government?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(a) The Panchayat was newly constituted on 12th Thulam 1107 when Mr. Panaparambil Kunhipocker Kutty was elected as the President of the Panchayat. Since then no resolution have been forwarded.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of answer to (a).

(d) Yes.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(a) Am I to understand that the large number of resolutions of the Methala Panchayat have never been submitted to the Panchayat Registrar?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—The answer is there.

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Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I myself am a Member and I know that about 100 resolutions have been forwarded. Will the Government make an inquiry and answer next time ?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—There is no necessity for an enquiry. There has been no resolution forwarded after the Panchayat has been reconstituted.

Deputy President.—But he says he was one of the party and resolutions have been passed.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—He can put another question in the next meeting referring categorically to the resolutions passed.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know whether there is any objection in the Government's undertaking to do so.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The information of the Government is that no resolutions have been passed.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will they make enquiries again ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—Government will make an enquiry.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Thank you very much.

Regarding the poramboke tank Sy. No. 114/3 of the Vadavukode Village.

254. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state (1) whether the Government has received a petition, dated 11th April 1931 (29th Meenam 1106), from the Nayar residents of Vadavukode Village for the assignment or lease of the above tank in the name of the first signatory to the petition for the exclusive use of the caste-Hindus ;

(2) whether the Government has enquired into the allegations in the petition ;

(3) what are the findings with regard to them ;

(4) has any final order been passed on that petition ;

(5) if the answer is in the affirmative what is such order ;

(6) were the caste-Hindus of Vadavukode exclusively using the tank till Meenam 1102 ;

(7) was there a petition to the 2nd Class Magistrate of Ernakulam, dated 9th Meenam 1102, M. P. 1057/02, complaining of the use of that tank by the Christians of that locality against the mamool and custom ;

(8) has the Government after enquiry ordered the tank to be leased to one Padmanabhan Kartha on behalf of the caste-Hindus ;

(9) was a registered lease taken from him by the Government, dated 13th Kumbham 1105 ;

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